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For:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING REDUNDANT DATA

LOAD SHARING IN A DISTRIBUTED NETWORK

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- (1) 19 pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract;
- (2) <u>8 pages of Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney;</u>
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